

**Barre City Energy Committee
Meeting Minutes
November 26, 2018**

Committee Members Present: Elaine Wang, Conor Teal, Phil Cecchini, Romni Palmer

Committee Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Janet Shatney, Planning Director

Visitors: None

1. Call to order – 5:38 pm by Co-Chair Wang
2. Changes to agenda? *Add discussion on VECAN; the election tabling event, and the December meeting date.*
3. Approve minutes of meeting for October 22, 2018.
 - *Motion to approve as presented made by P. Cecchini and seconded by C. Teal, **passed unanimously.***
4. Update on City Hall Audit.
 - *There was email traffic today regarding the audit, between City Manager S. Mackenzie and Craig Simmons, we hope to see a report by the December meeting.*
5. Consider approving reimbursements for Button Up Kick-Off.
 - *E. Wang conveyed her unhappiness regarding exceeding the \$125 limit.*
 - *A motion to reimburse both J. Shatney and C. Teal for expenses for Button Up was made by P. Cecchini and seconded by R Palmer.*
 - *Discussion ensued, and R. Palmer explained that she understood that these types of estimates are hard to gauge, given that at the tabling event, we were led to believe and hope that we would have a very large turnout.*
 - *E. Wang suggested future events having an RSVP add-on.*
 - *P. Cecchini stated this was a good learning experience and take into consideration in the future to better estimate potential attendees.*
 - *Vote was taken, and **passed with C. Teal abstaining.***

We looked at the information provided by EVT as to our signups, and we have 12 people on the list. It was decided to follow up with these folks in 30-45 days, sometime in January, and will assign people at the December meeting.

✓ **ACTION: PE. Wang to find out a year's comparison of signups.**

6. Discuss To-do's and consider purchases for the Dec. 5 workshop.
 - *Food was discussed, the number of potential attendees around 12 to 15 max, etc.*
 - *P. Cecchini made a motion to get 3 pizzas and some cookies, with a budget not to exceed \$60. Motion was seconded by C. Teal, with no further discussion, **motion carried***

unanimously.

7. Discuss 2019 workshop series.

- *A brief discussion on the potential to have year-long workshops tied to our mission next year occurred.*

✓ **ACTION: All members to research the types of workshops we could hold and bring the ideas to the next meeting.**

8. VECAN Conference.

- *This Saturday, Dec. 1; P. Cecchini attending as he is tabling at the conference. No other members can attend.*

9. Discussion on Nov. 6 election tabling event.

- *All members said they had a good time and would certainly do this again.*
- *P. Cecchini's catch phrase was, "Are you ready for winter?"*
- *R. Palmer took a more passive role and when questioned she was able to have a conversation with people.*
- *C. Teal's was similar to P. Cecchini's, asking "Have you weatherized your home?"*

10. Change of December 2018 meeting date.

- *As the next meeting date if Christmas eve, Dec. 24, it was agreed to move the meeting to Dec. 17th.*

11. Adjourn.

- *Motion to adjourn at 6:50 pm by P. Cecchini and seconded by R. Palmer, passed unanimously.*